EMPLOYEE TRAINING RECORD

TRAINING TITLE Edger

KEY TEACHING POINTS

BEFORE USING

- Read the owner's manual to familiarize yourself with the controls and how to use the machine safely. Be sure you know how to disengage and stop it quickly.
- Never allow children or inexperienced adults to operate the edger without proper instruction. Be certain operators are physically and mentally capable of using the machine.
- Carefully survey the working area. Have children, pets, and bystanders move a safe distance away. Remove sticks, stones, bottles, and other debris that could be thrown by the machine.
- Wear proper personal protection: safety goggles or eye shield, ear protection, long pants, safety shoes, reflective vest, and gloves.
- Check the condition of the edger. Make repairs, replace necessary parts, and tighten loose bolts before using.
- Fill the engine with fuel out of doors. Never fuel when the engine is running or has not had a few minutes to cool down.
- If using an electrically-operated unit, be certain that it is properly grounded or is double-insulated.

OPERATING THE EDGER

- Never operate the engine inside a building in order to prevent deadly carbon monoxide buildup.
- Be sure the blade is disengaged before attempting to start the engine.
- Hold the edger with both hands in a comfortable, well-balanced stance.
- Take a 5 minute break every 30 minutes. This will reduce the possibility of injuring your wrists. Do some other task during this period.
- Keep your hands and feet well clear of the cutter blade.
- Watch the discharge direction carefully. Direct it away from people, pets, children, windows, etc. Be alert for situations that could ricochet material.
- Disengage and stop the engine before adjusting or repairing. Unplug electric models. Wait for all parts to stop moving.
- Store the edger safely out of reach of children.

TEST

QUESTION		ANSWERS	
		TRUE	FALSE
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3 Hold the edger with both hands in a comfortable, well-balanced stance.			
4 Watch the discharge direction carefully. Direct it away from people, pets, children, windows, etc. Be alert for situations that could ricochet material.			
5 Remove sticks, stones, bottles, and other debris that could be thrown by the machine.			
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SUPERVISOR'S NAME	SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE	DATE	